Stormwater Stakeholders Meeting Summary

Pine Tree State Arboretum

June 25, 2003 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

An attendance list for the meeting will be posted on DEP's web site. Ann Gosline facilitated the meeting.

Don Witherill provided a brief summary of what was covered at last meeting and new information that has been posted on DEP's web site. These items include:

- Summary of June 9th meeting
- June 9th attendance list
- Stormwater Terms and Concepts
- Discussion paper: "Runoff Quantity: Progressing beyond Control of Peak Flow Rates"
- DEP draft proposal to replace "peak flow" standard in the Stormwater Rules
- Discussion and proposal: "Runoff Quality: A simpler alternative to the TSS standards"

(handouts were also available at the meeting)

A brief discussion was held on the Terms and Concepts paper.

DEP staff explained concerns in existing standards and objectives for new standards for both quantity and quality. Extensive discussion took place concerning the DEP's discussion papers and proposals (see the attached file for a detailed listing of questions from the group and subsequent responses from DEP staff).

The Stakeholder Group agreed to have a "technical sub-group" meet and further discuss both the quantity and quality issues prior to the next stakeholders meeting (a sub-group meeting was subsequently scheduled for the afternoon of July 9th). Participants who have signed up for the sub-group include: Peter Newkirk, Jeff Edelstein, Carl Beal, Ginger Davis, Charles Hebson, Dave Kamila, Jim Ring, Krisy Rabasca, David Bragg, Ann Archino Howe, and John Simon (David, Ann and John have agreed to join the group at the request of DEP staff; all 3 participated on the stormwater Phase II technical work group last year).

Don Witherill announced that Rich Clayor, an engineer with Horsley & Whitten, will be attending the July 14th meeting to provide an outside viewpoint on how to manage stormwater quantity and quality. Rich has extensive experience in the field of stormwater management, much of it coming from his tenure as Senior Engineer at the Center for Watershed Protection in Maryland.

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In addition to further discussion on the management of stormwater quantity and quality on July 14th, time will be scheduled to discuss the priority of remaining topics for future stakeholder meetings.

Future meetings have been scheduled for the Stakeholders Group on the following dates:

- July 14th 9:00 a.m. 12:00 noon; Pine Tree Arboretum
- Aug 13th 9:00 a.m. 12:00 noon; location to be announced (Arboretum not available)
- Sep 5th 9:00 a.m. 12:00 noon; location to be announced (Arboretum not available)
- Sep 26th 9:00 a.m. 12:00 noon; Pine Tree Arboretum